

MediaRacer® 100

Surveillance Multimedia

Gateway

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MEDIARACER® 100

OVERVIEW

INTEGRATED SURVEILLANCE SYSTEMS

MediaRacer® 100 is a remote intelligent monitoring and surveillance building block for use in implementing broad surveillance solutions, including transportation, industrial process control and security applications. MediaRacer® 100 utilizes advanced computer networking technology to integrate information from multimedia devices (audio, visual and digital data) in order to provide the user with a reliable, flexible and interactive monitoring system.

The MediaRacer 100 introduces enhanced capabilities embedded in the product design considering the needs of today and the future market.

MediaRacer® 100 enables digital transmission, switching and control of remote multimedia surveillance devices spread over large areas. Compressed audio and video information and other digital data are captured by remote sensors and transmitted to the MediaRacer® 100 unit, where they are processed. The data is then packaged by the TCP/IP protocol and transmitted over a standard high-speed computer communications network to the control center.

The challenge facing any monitoring and surveillance system design today is to build a concept for tomorrow. Systems installed today are often outdated by the time their implementation has been completed. The key objective is to build an open system that is never closed to future options and which facilitates expansion of capacity and functionality in an efficient and flexible manner. MediaRacer® 100 provides the solution.

MediaRacer® 100 is designed and manufactured by MAVIX. Based on an open system architecture, the MAVIX Solution brings together the considerable progress made to date with information networking technology and the sophisticated requirements of current monitoring systems. The MAVIX System integrates, manages and controls all components of the monitoring system, including cameras, audio devices, monitors, alarms, sensors, and controllers.

CHAPTER 1

MEDIARACER® 100: SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

MediaRacer® is a new family of MAVIX Multimedia Gateways, designed to provide high quality delivery of video, audio and other electronic data using TCP/IP networks.

The flagship member of the family, MediaRacer® 100, features full motion video at different resolutions (PAL/NTSC), supporting state of the art compression standards, and is based on low cost, compact design, while maintaining the high-end system qualities that are found in MAVIX products. MediaRacer® 100 also features unique capabilities for low-end applications, such as non-managed point-to-point automatic link recognition and setup, eliminating the need for costly management applications. This allows end users to tailor the solution to their exact needs and budget.

MediaRacer® 100 offers up to 1 video camera attachment (in the future it will offer two attachments), a bi-directional audio port, RS232, RS485 and Digital I/O connections, all using a box the size of a VHS cassette. It facilitates connection of access control devices, intercoms, Public Address Systems, PTZ (Pan, Tilt, Zoom) for video cameras and so forth. The product is also planned to feature after future development an IDE connection to an optional hard disk, allowing users to locally record events. This highly integrated solution performs as a zone concentrator for numerous video, audio and data devices, eliminating the need for multiple hardware platforms for different protocols, and thus significantly reducing the overall cost of the installation.

The MediaRacer platform is generic, meaning that in addition to the MPEG-4 compression standard supported today, it will be capable of supporting in the future new compression standards, just by downloading a new s/w version. The product can also perform as a compressor or a decompressing unit, saving cost in logistics of customers and end users.

Small point-to-point applications are easily monitored and controlled by the MediaRacer® Link Management application, provided with all units. For medium to large applications, MediaRacer® 100 is fully managed by the MAVIX MAVIEW Management System, enabling unified monitoring and control of large installations from a single management console.

MAVIEW software enables video bandwidth and quality to be controlled and adjusted to fit specific application requirements. Moreover, monitoring a video picture on the MAVIEW desktop screen is another unique option available that uses the MAVIEW Player feature.

MediaRacer® 100 is a wide-range solution that can be used by low, medium and large-sized applications. It supports different video stream bandwidths according to the various compression types. This capability is achieved by the use of the new, state-of-the-art MPEG-4 compression standard.

MediaRacer® 100 also allows significant bandwidth savings by optimizing the UDP and IP packets. It also supports IP Multicast. End users can determine the video quality and bandwidth budget, simply by defining a configuration parameter during the setting up of the unit. As bandwidth becomes more available, the end user can improve the video parameters by means of a simple update of the unit's configuration parameters. In this way the MediaRacer® 100 based solution “grows” with the customer budget, greatly reducing the total life cost of installation.

CONFIGURATION – DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM

COMPONENTS

MediaRacer® 100, the MAVIX solution to remote intelligent surveillance, is based on open system architecture. The basic configuration, as seen in Figure 1, contains the following components:

- ? End units – total two: One MediaRacer® 100 working as a Camera Side unit (compression unit), located on the remote side and the other, a MediaRacer® 100 working as a Monitor Side (decompression unit), located on the monitor side, usually in the control room.
- ? Software components:

- ✓ MediaRacer® Link Manager
- ✓ MAVIEW
- ✓ MAVIEW SDK

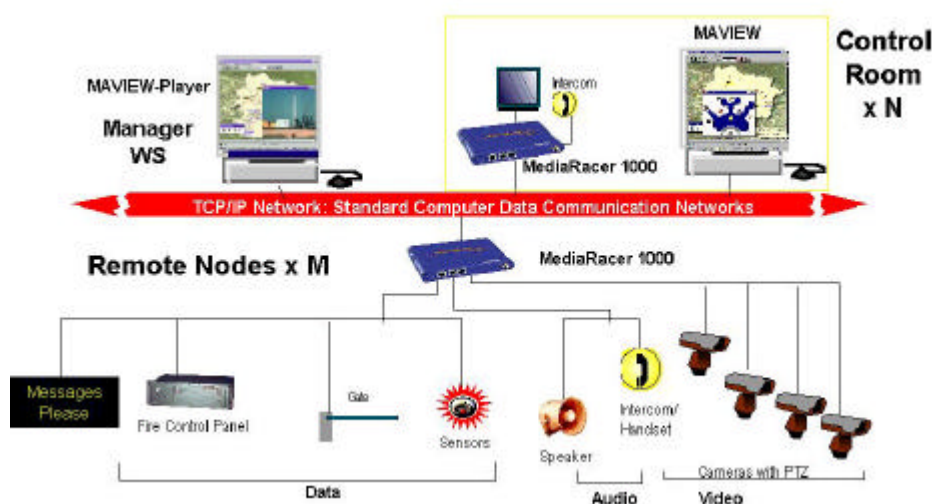


Figure 1: Basic Managed Configuration

FEATURES

- ? The MediaRacer® System supports MAVIX M x N Virtual Matrix architecture, which enables logical switching of M distributed sources and N destinations of video, audio and data over IP.
- ? Remote bandwidth control.
- ? Multicast Video capability – the same camera can be viewed on several monitors, over the network.
- ? Advanced compression of video and audio executed by dedicated hardware providing real time, full motion – high video quality (PAL/NTSC).
- ? On-line adjustment of video compression parameters enables the fitting of specific resolution and motion requirements to the application.
- ? Video monitoring on desktop, using the MAVIEW -Player.

- ? Direct attachment integrating multiple video, audio and data monitoring devices.
- ? Bi-directional audio connections for intercom or other audio monitoring features.
- ? Audio Broadcast for public address systems.
- ? Support for up to two RS-232, and one RS-485 interfaces.
- ? Support for up to four Opto-isolated Discrete Inputs/Outputs.
- ? Automatic link setup without the need for a management system (Point to Point).
- ? Pre/Post Alarm recording (ready).
- ? Transparent Serial Channel between Camera and Monitor sides enabling easy integration with 3rd party devices.
- ? Low cost latency supporting of a critical mission application, requiring precise PTZ control.

CHAPTER 2

MEDIARACER® 100: END UNITS

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

MediaRacer® 100 enables conversion of analog data from its original form, to a digital packet on one side of a network, back to its original analog form on the other side.

MediaRacer® 100 handles input composite video signals, an output video signal, audio signals for intercom, serial output data for the camera pan, tilt, zoom, washer, wiper and heater control, and other discrete input/output data.

MediaRacer® 100 provides the physical connection to the network and remote site surveillance devices. The information is packaged using the UDP/IP protocol and routed to the Control Center via the standard data communications network.

MediaRacer® 100 can be attached directly to high-speed standard data communications networks, using the Ethernet or Fast Ethernet connections (10/100Base-TX), and optionally to low-speed data networks such as the telephone network (utilizing an optional built-in modem) ISDN, serial links (supporting AT command), etc, via appropriate external modems.

MediaRacer® 100 is based in a Codec architecture design.

MediaRacer® 100 Camera side unit is usually located at a remote site, serving as a zone concentrator for the various devices required for the monitoring and control. The unit enables communication sessions between remote surveillance devices and control room, and between remote surveillance devices attached to different units. Each medium (video, audio, sensors) maintains a separate independent session. In this way the video from unit A may be delivered to unit B, and concurrently the audio of unit A may be delivered to unit C. The MediaRacer® 100 monitor side unit is usually located in the control room and

enables the viewing of the video pictures taken by the remote cameras on analog monitors.

MEDIA RACER® 100 – FRONT PANEL DESCRIPTION

The front panel of the MediaRacer® 100 contains:

- ? Video Channel (Video In or Video Out)
- ? Serial Data Channel
- ? Serial Trunk Chnnel
- ? Network Port
- ? System Indicators

VIDEO CHANNEL

VIDEO IN - MediaRacer® 100 Camera Side unit

The **VIDEO IN** channel consists of one composite video input that facilitate the attachment from video source - camera or analog video matrix - to the Media Racer 100 Camera Side unit.

The video input connector has it's own LED. The LED, which is lit, indicates the video source selected by the user.

VIDEO OUT - MediaRacer® 100 Monitor Side unit

The **VIDEO OUT** channel has a single connector. An analog monitor can be connected to this connector, enabling viewing of video pictures taken by the remote cameras.

SERIAL DATA CHANNEL

Devices that transfer data, such as PTZ control for video camera, computers, VMS (Variable Message Sign) boards and other industrial control systems, can be connected to **RS232** (COM 1) and **RS485** (COM 2) ports.

The unit supports RS485 Half and Full Duplex communication, selecteable by jumpers.

CONSOLE LED

Console LED located next to Serial Data Connector (RJ -45) indicates, that RS232 (COM1) port is chosen to be a Console Port.

SERIAL TRUNK CHANNEL - NETWORK CONNECTOR (RJ-45)

Serial Trunk Channel is a modular option for communication. This is in addition to the primary 10/100Base-TX data trunk channel on-board. The Serial Trunk channel can be used for standard RS232 communication with all external modem control signals and with AT command support, built-in V-90 PSTN modem and built-in ISDN modem.

TX LED

The TX LED indicates Transmit activities over the serial trunk network.

RX LED

The RX LED indicates Receive activities over the serial trunk network.

NETWORK PORT

10/100Base-TX - Network Connector

Enables a MediaRacer® 100 unit to be connected to an Ethernet/Fast Ethernet standard data communication network, complying with the IEEE 802.3U standard.

LNK LED

The **LNK LED** lights when a communication link signal is received in the MediaRacer® 100 unit. The lit LED indicates that a connection to the network has been established.

ACT LED

The **ACT LED** indicates data activity over the network.

SYSTEM INDICATORS

ON – Power LED

The **ON LED** lights when the system is connected to a power supply and is switched on.

The **ON LED** will blink every 5 seconds, which indicates proper system operation.

FLT LED

When the **FLT LED** is lit or blinking, it indicates one of the following problems:

- ? The MediaRacer® 100 unit failed during the self-test.
- ? The system failed to initialize the operation software in Application mode.
- ? The MediaRacer® 100 unit began the reset cycle.

MEDIA RACER® 100 – REAR PANEL DESCRIPTION

The rear panel of the MediaRacer® 100 contains:

- ? Audio Channel
- ? Power Connector
- ? DIO (Discrete Input/Output) Channel

AUDIO CHANNEL

The audio channel is designed for stereo capabilities and is used to connect an intercom (bi-directional channel) or a microphone and speaker connection (two uni-directional channels) or a public address system (uni-directional channel from one point to multiple points). The **AUDIO OUT** connectors are used to connect a speaker to the unit and the **AUDIO IN** connector is used to connect a microphone to the unit.

Installation of a public address system in the audio channel requires the attachment of a microphone on the MediaRacer® 100 Monitor Side unit (control side) and speakers on the MediaRacer® 100 Camera Side unit on the remote side.

POWER - DC CONNECTOR

The **POWER** DC connector is used to connect the cable of the desktop power supply 5V to the MediaRacer® 100 unit.

DIO (DISCRETE INPUT/OUTPUT) CHANNELS

DIO devices, such as sensors (temperature, light etc.), automatic gate opening controls and alarms can be connected to a Discrete Input/Output (DIO) block terminal. The DIO block terminal has two dry-contact input and two opto-isolated output ports.

The positive terminal of the DO should be connected to one end of the relay coil, while the second end is connected directly to the external power supply positive output.

The negative terminal of the DO should be connected to the external power supply GND output.

The ON/OFF switch can be directly connected between (+) and (–) terminals of the Discrete Inputs.

CHAPTER 3

MEDIARACER® 100: SPECIFICATION AND FEATURES

MEDIARACER® 100 TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

Video Interface		
Coding Algorithm		MPEG-4 Up to 6Mbps
Formats		PAL or NTSC
Resolution		4SIF, SIF, QSIF *
Frame Rate		Up to full frame rate*
Input	Form	Composite
	Impedance	75Ω
	Level	TV Standard
Output	Form	Composite
	Impedance	75Ω
	Level	TV Standard
Connector		BNC
Cable Length		Max. 30 m., without degradation of color and video parameters

* Dynamic selection using MAVIEW or MediaRacer® Link Manager.

Network Interface

IEEE 802.3/802.3U

10/100Base-TX (with Auto-Negotiation) RJ-45

Cable Type	CAT5 UTP
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Cable Length	Max. 100 m.
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Audio Interface

Coding Algorithm	G.711, G.729A
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Bit Rate	64kbps / 8kbps
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Inputs	RCA headphone jack
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Voltage:	160mV RMS MAX
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Input Gain:	Software adjustable in: 1dB steps from -30dB to +30dB
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Impedance:	10kOhm, AC coupled
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S/N ratio:	> 90dB @ full scale
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Output	RCA headphone jack
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Full scale voltage output:	1V RMS
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Output Gain:	Software adjustable in: 1dB steps from -30dB to +30dB
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Minimum Load:	16O
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S/N Ratio:	>90Db @ for full scale output
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Serial Interface

RS-232 & RS-485 (COM1 & COM2) RJ-45

Serial Trunk Interface (optional)

RS-232 (COM 3 Full Control), RJ-45

Discrete Interface Inputs

Opto-Isolated

2 Dry Contact Ports

Discrete Interface Outputs

Opto-Isolated

Outputs: Voltage Max 24VDC

Current Max 90 mA

Physical Dimensions

Size (WxHxD) 19.5x2.8x14 cm (7.67"x1.1"x5.51")

Weight 0.5 kgs

Power Supply Mains Connection

Voltage Full Auto Range (+/- 10%) 100-240 VAC

Frequency 47 - 63Hz

Power Consumption 9W Typical (4SIF) 7W Typical (SIF)

Environmental Conditions

Operating Temperature (Indoor) +0° to 50°C (41° to 122°F)

Operating Temperature (Outdoor) -15° to 65°C (5° to 149°F)

Storage Temperature -20° to 70°C (-4° to 158°F)

Operating Humidity 5% to 95% (Non-Condensing)

Certifications

Safety

UL Listed

CE MARK

Electromagnetic Interference (EMC)

FCC 47 CFR part 15 subpart B, Class A

CE, Class A

CONNECTORS MAPPING TABLE

10/100 RJ-45 CONNECTOR

Pin Number	Signal Name
1	TD+
2	TD-
3	RD+
4	Not Used
5	Not Used
6	RD-
7	Not Used
8	Not Used

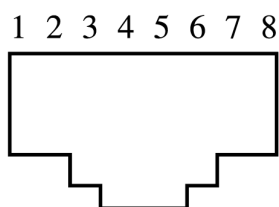


Figure 3-1: RJ-45 Connectors – Pins Order

SERIAL RS232 (COM 1) & RS485 (COM 2) RJ-45 CONNECTOR

Pin Number	RS232 Signal	Description	RS485 Signal	Description
1	GND TxD RxD	Not Used	RX+	Differential Data (Half Duplex optional, TRX+)
2		Not Used	RX-	Differential Data (Half Duplex optional, TRX-)
3		Signal Ground	GND	Signal Ground
4		Transmit Data		Not Used
5		Receive Data		Not Used
6		Not Used	GND	Signal Ground
7		Not Used	TX+	Differential Data
8		Not Used	TX-	Differential Data

SERIAL TRUNK RJ-45 CONNECTOR (COM 3)

Pin Number	Signal Name (for RS232 only)	Description
1	RTS	Request to Send
2	DTR	Data Terminal Ready
3	GND	Signal Ground
4	TxD	Transmit Data
5	RxD	Receive Data
6	DCD	Data Carrier Detect
7	DSR	Data Set Ready
8	CTS	Clear to Send

DI (DISCRETE INPUT) BLOCK TERMINAL

Pin Number	Signal Name
1	IN 1+
2	IN 1-
3	IN 2+
4	IN 2-

DO (DISCRETE OUTPUT) BLOCK TERMINAL

Pin Number	Signal Name
1	OUT 1+
2	OUT 1-
3	OUT 2+
4	OUT 2-

CHAPTER 4

MEDIARACER® 100: INSTALLATION AND CONFIGURATION

INSTALLATION REQUIREMENTS

MediaRacer® 100 units may be installed indoors or outdoors, in a dry and clean environment. The location should allow easy access to the cable channels or ducts. Do not install MediaRacer® 100 where it may be subjected to extreme vibrations, dust or fumes, which may damage the unit.

Note: Pay attention to operating environment requirements as defined in the Specifications section.

Check that the unit supplied includes the following:

- ? MediaRacer® 100 unit
- ? Desktop Power Supply
- ? RS 232 Configuration Cable for COM 1 port (at least one cable per package)
- ? CD containing MediaRacer® 100 User Manual & MediaRacer® Link Manager Application.
- ? Mating terminal block for DIO attachment.

When installing the MediaRacer® 100 unit, leave enough space at the front and back of the unit to allow free air circulation. Clearance of at least 1 ft. (approx. 33 cm) should be provided behind the unit to allow for easy access of cables.

POWER CONNECTION

Connect one end of the desktop power supply (supplied with the unit) to the MediaRacer® 100 unit, using the POWER connector. Connect the other cable to an AC power source.

Verify that the **ON** LED (located on the front panel) is lit and that after several seconds the **FLT** LED goes out.

IMPORTANT:

Always connect the desktop power supply to the unit before you connect it to the mains power supply. Failure to do this can cause irreversible damage to the Media Racer 100.

Special care must be taken to connect the cables in the proper sequence. First, connect the desktop power supply DC cable to the MediaRacer® 100 unit, using the POWER DC connector, then connect the other power supply cable to an AC power source.

CONNECTION TO NETWORK

Connect one end of a communication cable (CAT5 direct cable) to the **10/100** connector on the front panel of the MediaRacer® 100 unit. Connect the other end of the communication cable to your local Ethernet network (SWITCH/HUB). Verify that the **LNK** LED is lit.

CONNECTING DEVICES

CONNECTING VIDEO SOURCES

1. One video source may be attached to the MediaRacer® 100.
In order to attach a video source, connect one end of a video coax 75 Ω cable to the video output of the Camera. Connect the other end of the cable to one of the **VIDEO IN** connector, located on the unit front panel. The lit LED indicates the camera that has been selected from the attached cameras.

Note: Pay attention to maximum coax cable length as defined in the Specifications section.

???? ???? **Comment**
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CONNECTING THE MONITOR

1. The monitor connection is usually made in the control room, enabling the viewing of video pictures taken by the remote camera. In order to attach an analog monitor to the MediaRacer® 100 CM model, connect one end of a video coax 75 Ω cable to the video inputs of the monitor and the other end to the VIDEO OUT connector located on front panel of the unit.

CONNECTING AUDIO DEVICES

2. Connect a microphone to the AUDIO IN connector (located on the rear panel of the unit).
3. Connect a speaker to the AUDIO OUT connector (located on the rear panel of the unit).

Note: An intercom system may be used in place of a microphone and speaker.

CONNECTING DEVICES TO RS232 AND RS232/485 PORTS

Devices that transfer data, such as computers, VMS boards, camera control and other industrial control systems can be connected to the **COM** ports.

1. Connect the data device to the MediaRacer® 100 unit via the COM ports, according to the connectors mapping table.

CONNECTING DISCRETE INPUT/OUTPUT (DIO) DEVICES

DIO devices, such as sensors (temperature, light etc.), automatic gate opening controls and alarms can be connected to a Discrete Input/Output (DIO) connector. The DIO connector has four opto-isolated input and four opto-isolated output ports.

1. Connect the DIO device to the MediaRacer® 100 unit via the DIO connector, as specified in the Specification section and according to the connector mapping table.

CONFIGURATION SETTINGS

After the various devices have been attached to the MediaRacer® 100 unit, it is necessary to define all the initialization and setup values required for the basic operation of the MediaRacer® 100 unit. The parameters to be defined include details of the MediaRacer® 100 unit and some network parameters. The default manufacturer settings can be changed in order to configure the MediaRacer® 100 unit according to the site requirements.

CONSOLE SETTING

The definition of the various setup values is performed by connecting a computer with a built-in Hyper Terminal application to the MediaRacer® 100 unit. Power on the computer and define the Hyper Terminal application COM port setting values as follows (see Fig 4-1):

- ? Bits per second – 38400
- ? Data bit – None
- ? Stop bits – 1
- ? Flow control – None

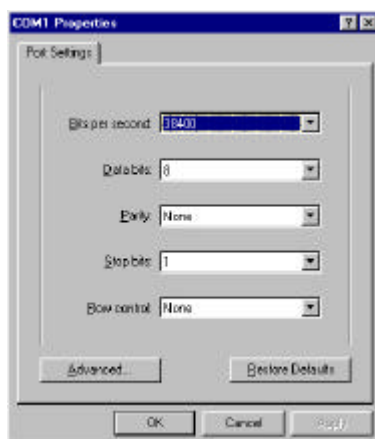


Figure 4-1: Hyper Terminal Application COM Port setting Values

The Hyper Terminal application COM port setting should be identical to the setting for the MediaRacer® 100 unit COM 1.

MEDIARACER® 100 UNIT SETTING

Connect the computer to the MediaRacer® 100 unit via the unit COM 1 (RS232 port), using the cable supplied with the unit. Disconnect any device attached to the unit via this port. Remember to reconnect the required device after you have completed the settings of the MediaRacer® 100 unit.

When the computer has been connected to the MediaRacer® 100 unit and the Hyper Terminal application is active, reboot the MediaRacer® 100 unit (disconnect the power cable from the power source and then reconnect it).

During the reboot process, press the space bar to display the “MediaRacer® Service Software” main menu (Fig 42).

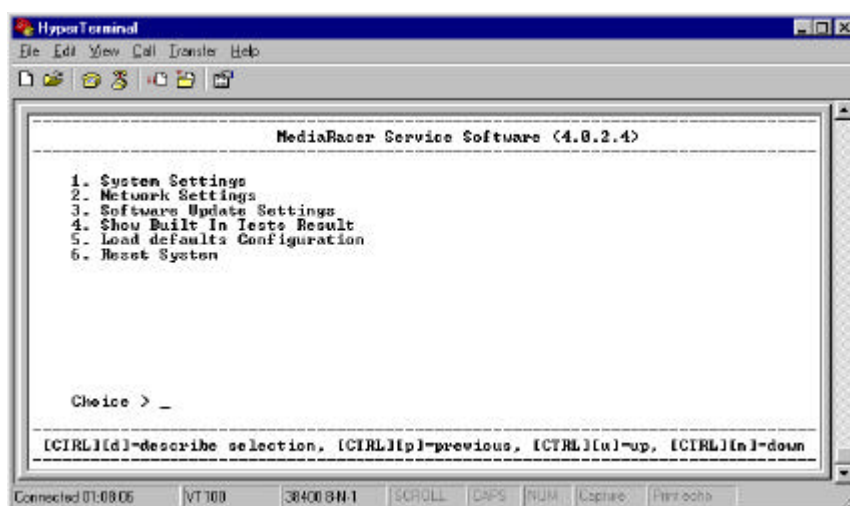


Figure 4-2: MediaRacer® Service Software – Main Menu

To select a menu option use the arrow keys, or [CTRL]+[N] to scroll downwards, and [CTRL]+[U] for scrolling upwards. Menu items may also be selected by typing the item number when the cursor is flashing next to the prompt: Choice >. To return to the main menu from any sub-menu press the [Ctrl] and the [P] keys simultaneously.

Press [Ctrl] + [D] simultaneously to get an explanation about a selected line or field at the bottom of the screen.

Fields marked with an asterisk and in parentheses denote toggle options that are operated by the space bar

Fields shown in parentheses are edit options.

Press [ENTER], to save the values in the current menu.

Options 1 and 2 in the main menu enable the user to configure the unit – i.e. definition of setting values.

Notice:

All setting values that have been changed during the configuration process will be valid only after rebooting of the MediaRacer® 100 unit.

SYSTEM SETTINGS

Select option 1 from the main menu to display the system setting menu (Fig 4-3).

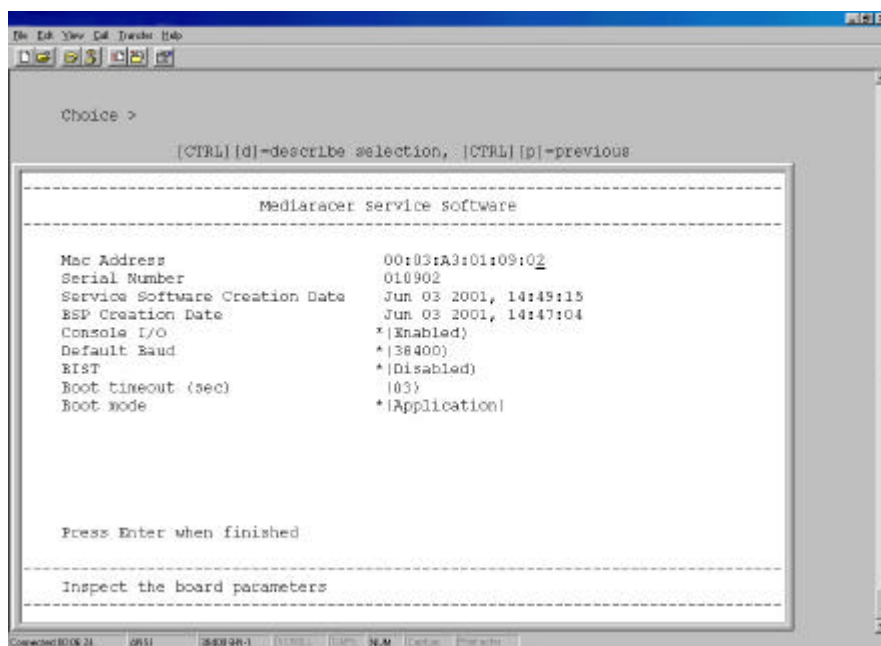


Figure 4-3: MediaRacer® Service Software – System Settings

This menu displays the following system identification parameters: MediaRacer® 100 unit Mac Address and Serial Number, Service Software Creation Date and BSP (Boot Software Package) Creation Date.

The definitions of the values of the remaining fields may be changed. These are follows:

Console I/O	<p>Defines the status of COM 1.</p> <p>Enable value (default value) means that access to all MediaRacer® Service Software options and Application Log Screen are enabled and visible. Selection of the Enable value will not permit the connection of any other devices to the COM 1 port to be active. Change the value of this field to Disable if you intend to connect other devices to COM 1.</p> <p>Note: When the Disable option is selected while the unit is booting, press the spacebar to automatically enable “Console I/O” to display MediaRacer® Service Software main menu”.</p>
Default Baud	<p>Defines the baud rate of the COM 1 unit (for console connection only). This value should be identical to the Bits per second value defined in the Hyper Terminal application port setting window.</p>
BIST	<p>When this option is enabled (disabled by default), it starts the self test of the MediaRacer® 1000 unit during start-up. Self test will not be performed by the MediaRacer® 100 unit when the Disable value is selected.</p>
Boot timeout (sec)	<p>Defines the timeout interval (in seconds) during which pressing the space bar displays the MediaRacer® Service Software main menu. The manufacturer default value is 3 seconds.</p>

Boot mode

Defines the different operation modes of the MediaRacer® 100 unit.

Application – normal operation mode for the MediaRacer® 100 unit.

Update Flash – an operation mode for performing automatic application software updates.

Maintenance – an operation mode that enables performance of maintenance tasks only, associated with the MediaRacer® Service Software. This mode of operation cancels the requirement to press the space bar during the rebooting process, and forces the unit to start up directly into the MediaRacer® Services Software main menu. *This mode should only be used by qualified technicians.*

NETWORK SETTINGS

Selection of option 2 from the MediaRacer® Service Software main menu causes the networking setting menu to be displayed (Fig 44).

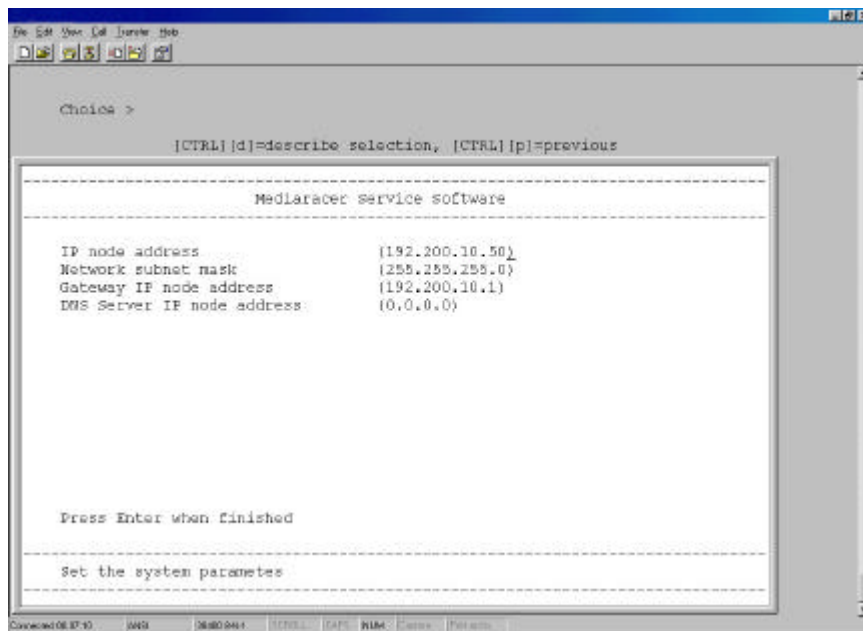


Figure 4-4: MediaRacer® Service Software – Network Settings

This menu is used to define the network parameters of the MediaRacer® 100 unit.

The field definitions are as follows:

IP node address	Defines the IP address of the MediaRacer® 100 unit, according to the local network requirements.
Network subnet mask	Defines the IP Network subnet mask, according to the local network requirements.
Gateway IP node address	Defines the Gateway IP node address, according to the local network requirements.
DNS Server IP node address	Value of the DNS Server IP node address (optional) should not be equal to 0.0.0.0

SOFTWARE UPDATE SETTINGS

Selection of option 3 from the MediaRacer® Service Software main menu displays the software Update Settings menu (Fig 4-5).

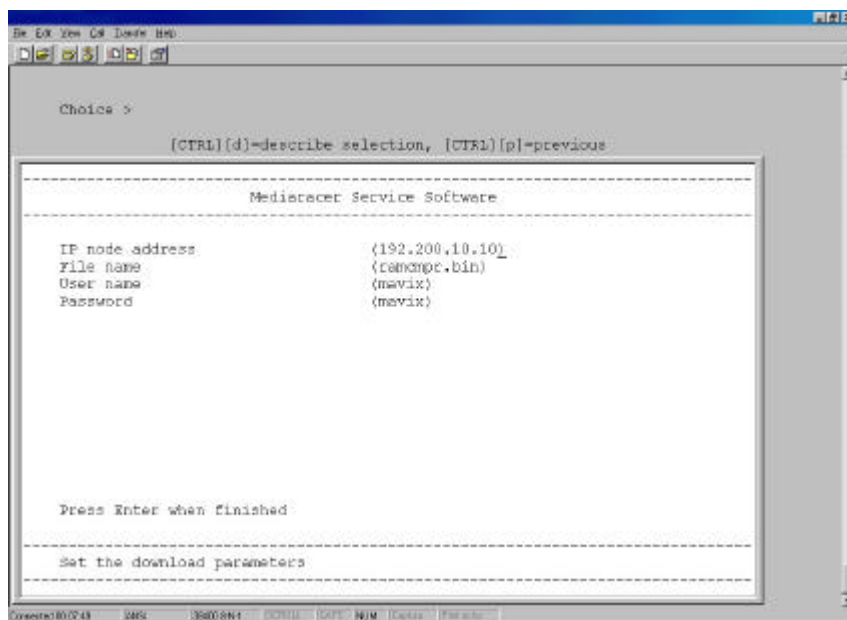


Figure 4-5: MediaRacer® Service Software – Software Update Settings

This menu is used to define the required parameters for establishing a connection to a FTP server. For more information on the Software application, refer to section: "MediaRacer® Link Manager - Remote Configuration Tool" in Chapter 5.

The field definitions are as follows:

IP node address	The address of the FTP server, to be connected to the MediaRacer® 100 unit when software updating is required.
File name	The file name, used for updating software. Change the default if necessary.
User name	User name - parameter required when connecting the MediaRacer® 100 unit to an FTP server.
Password	A parameter required for connecting the MediaRacer® 100 unit to an FTP server, and for Maintenance Mode login.

BUILT-IN TESTS

Selection of option 4 from the MediaRacer® Service Software will display the results of the last running of the Built-in Tests in the MediaRacer® 100 unit (Fig 4-6).

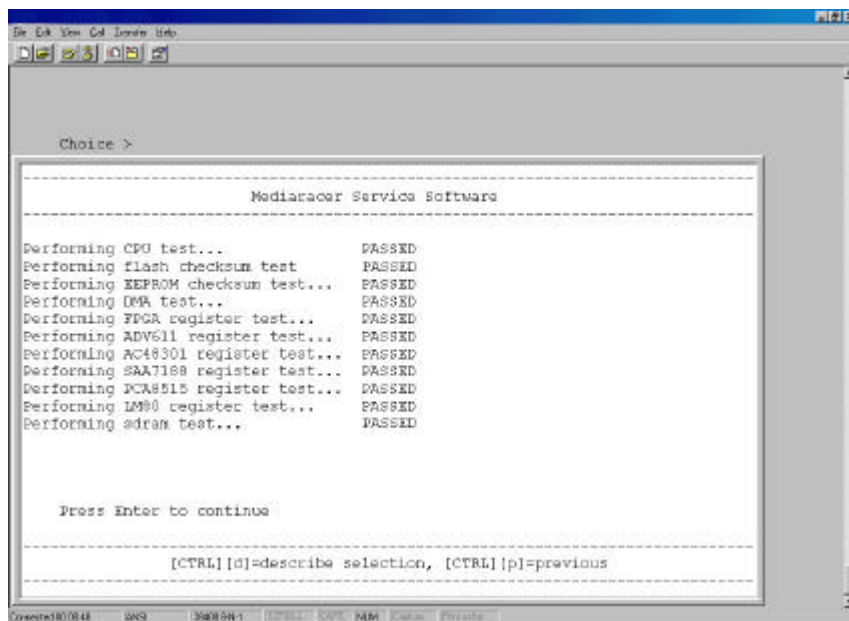


Figure 4-6: MediaRacer® Service Software – Built-In Tests

LOADING OF CONFIGURATION DEFAULT VALUES

Selection of Option 5 from the MediaRacer® Service Software will cancel all the changes made to the parameters, and restore the manufacturer default values.

REBOOT

Selection of Option 6 from the MediaRacer® Service Software will cause the reboot of the MediaRacer® 100 unit.

APPLICATION LOG SCREEN

If the Console I/O value is set to **Enable** when the reboot option for the MediaRacer® 100 unit is selected, initialization messages are displayed on the screen showing the status of the procedure (Fig 4-7).

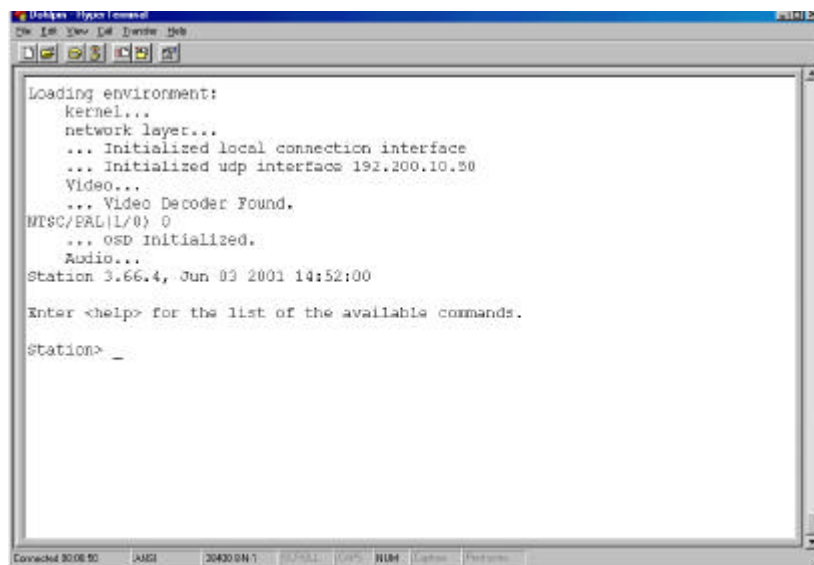


Figure 4-7: MediaRacer® Service Software – Application Menu

On completion of the initialization process, the prompt Station > is displayed, indicating that the MediaRacer® 100 unit is ready for operation. Verify that the FLT LED is not lit.

If Console I/O value is set to disable, and you choose to reboot the MediaRacer® 100 unit, while the computer is still connected, messages will not be displayed on the screen. The MediaRacer® will be ready for operation only when the FLT LED is not lit.

ADVANCED CONFIGURATION

Definition of advanced configuration settings can be carried out using the Remote Configuration Tool, which is an integral part of the MediaRacer Link Manager Software. The Remote Configuration Tool enables loading and editing of the unit's configuration file

The advanced configuration file, TASKMAN.ini, is part of the MediaRacer® 100 application software. The file contains all the initialization and setup values required for the MediaRacer® 100 unit operation. The manufacturer default settings in the file can be changed in order to configure the MediaRacer® 100 unit according to the site requirements. The file is in ASCII format and can be modified using any text editor.

The parameters defined in this file include the MediaRacer® 100 unit details (OSD - On Screen Display, address, etc.), devices connected to the unit inputs (camera or monitor, etc.), description of the devices, video format and some network parameters.

For more detailed information about operating the Remote Configuration Tool, refer to Chapter 5 - **MediaRacer® 100: Operation**

INSTRUCTIONS FOR QUICK SETUP

1. Connect a computer with a built-in Hyper Terminal application to the MediaRacer® 100 unit COM 1 port (RS 232 port). Use the cable supplied with the unit. Disconnect any device that is attached to the unit via this port.
2. Verify that the default values for Hyper Terminal Port setting are as shown in Fig 4-1.
3. When the Hyper Terminal application is active, reboot the MediaRacer® 100 unit (disconnect the power cable from the power source and immediately reconnect it).

4. During the rebooting process press the space bar to start the service software. When the main menu of the MediaRacer® Service Software (Fig 4-1) is displayed, the user can change default values and configure the MediaRacer® 100 unit according to his own specifications.
5. Select option 2 from the MediaRacer® Service Software main menu. In the “IP node address” field define the IP address of the MediaRacer® 100 unit according to the local network requirements. Enter appropriate values in the other two fields according to the local network requirements. Return to the main Menu by pressing the [Ctrl] + [P] keys.
6. Select option 1 from the MediaRacer® Service Software main menu. Change the default value in the “Console I/O” to **Disable** if you intend to connect other devices to the MediaRacer® 100 unit COM 1 port instead of the computer. Verify that the value in the Boot mode field is set to **Application**. If necessary, change values in the other fields according to your requirements. Return to the Main Menu by pressing the [ctrl] + [P] keys.
7. Select option 6 from the MediaRacer® Service Software main menu to reboot the MediaRacer® 100 unit.
Important: All setting values that have been changed during the configuration process will be valid only after the rebooting of the MediaRacer® 100 unit.
8. Disconnect the computer from the MediaRacer® 100 unit COM 1. Connect any other device to this port, as necessary.
9. Use the Management Software - MediaRacer® Link Manager Software (MLM) or MAVIEW - in order to operate devices that are connected to the MediaRacer® 100 units.

CHAPTER 5

MEDIARACER® 100: OPERATION

Operation of the unit entails connecting and controlling the devices on the Camera side of the MediaRacer® 100 unit, located on the remote side, with the device(s) connected to the unit's monitor side (more than one unit) located in the Control Center(s).

The association process (definition of relationships) between the devices can be done using one of the following applications:

- ? MediaRacer® Link Manager (partial management)
- ? MAVIEW Management software (full management)
- ? Customer application build on MAVIEW SDK (full management)

MEDIARACER® LINK MANAGER

The MediaRacer® Link Manager software package enables the user to control and manage a point-to-point application. MediaRacer® Link Manager provides the operator with only partial management for controlling and possessing devices connected to the MediaRacer® 100 Camera Side unit (located in the remote site), and devices connected to the MediaRacer® 100 Monitor Side unit (located in control center).

INSTALLATION OF MEDIARACER® LINK MANAGER

Installation of the MediaRacer® Link Manager software package in a personal computer is the stage that precedes the activation of MediaRacer® Link Manager as a control and possess management tool for devices connected to the MediaRacer® 100 units.

To install the MediaRacer® Link Manager software in your PC, insert the CD-ROM you received with the MediaRacer® 100 unit, into your computer. Double-Click the LINKMANAGER.exe icon, and follow the instructions on each screen of the installation procedure.

When the initial stages have been completed, the MediaRacer® Link Manager can be activated. The stage that follows the installation of the MediaRacer® Link Manager is the connection of the computer to the communications network to which the MediaRacer® 100 Camera Side and MediaRacer® 100 Monitor Side units are connected.

ACTIVATING MEDIARACER® LINK MANAGER

When running the MediaRacer® Link Manager software for the first time the dialog box in Figure 5.1 – MediaRacer® Link Manager – will be displayed.

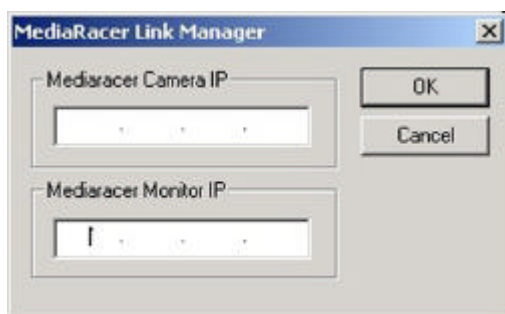


Figure 5-1: MediaRacer® Link Manager - Opening Window Without IP Addresses

Enter the MediaRacer® Camera IP and MediaRacer® Monitor IP in the appropriate fields (Figure 5-2). Check that the IP addresses of the MediaRacer® 100 units is according to the local network requirements, as defined in the Network Settings (p. 44).

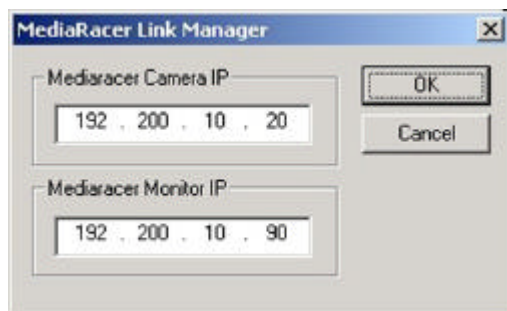


Figure 5-2: MediaRacer® Link Manager - Opening Window With IP Addresses

After the IP addresses of the MediaRacer® 100 Camera Side and MediaRacer® 100 Monitor Side units have been defined in the opening dialog box of the MediaRacer® Link Manager, the Main Window will appear (Figure 5-3).

The following options are available:

- ? **General** – Communications management between MediaRacer® 100 units
- ? **Video** – Control of video devices connected to MediaRacer® 100 units.
- ? **Audio**– Control of audio devices connected to MediaRacer® 100 units.
- ? **RS232**– Control of RS232 devices connected to MediaRacer® 100 units.
- ? **Discrete Inputs/Outputs** – Control of DIO devices connected to MediaRacer® 100 units.

Click one of the tabs at the top of the main window to enable selection of the activity required – communications management or control of devices connected to the MediaRacer® 100 units. The tab clicked will be brought to the front. The page in the central area of the main window will change according to the option selected.

The lower right-hand corner of the main window contains two buttons that enable the display of Help and to Exit the MediaRacer® Link Manager – irrespective of the button that has been selected.

COMMUNICATIONS MANAGEMENT BETWEEN MEDIARACER® 1000 UNITS

When the IP addresses of the MediaRacer® 100 units have been defined in the opening dialog box of the MediaRacer® Link Manager, the main window will be displayed. The General tab is brought to the front, and the General page is displayed. (Figure 5-3). This page includes display fields and buttons that enable management of communications between the MediaRacer® 100 units, as well as a reset option.

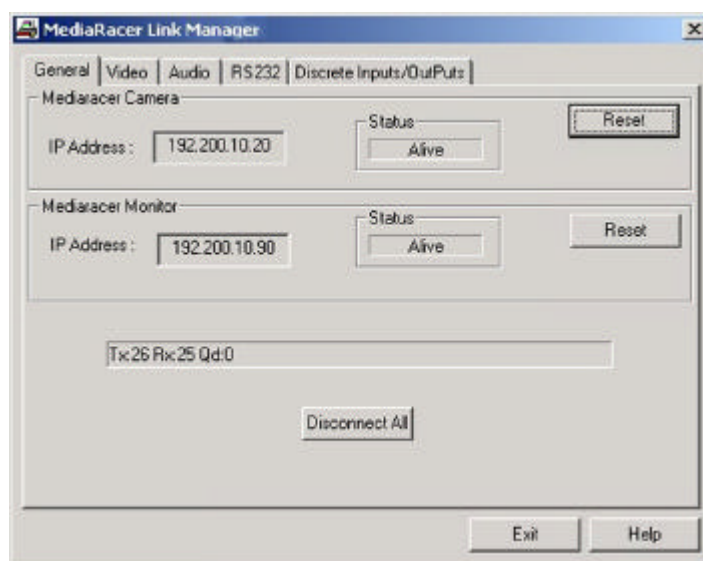


Figure 5-3: MediaRacer® Link Manager - General Page

IP Address

Read-only fields used to display the IP addresses of the MediaRacer® 100 Camera Side unit and the MediaRacer® 100 Monitor Side unit.

Status Read-only field used to display data relating to the communications status of the MediaRacer® 1000 units.

When the status is shown as Alive, there is communication between the MediaRacer® 100 units and the MediaRacer® Link Manager. All functions of the application can be operated.

If the status is shown as No Response there is no communication between the MediaRacer® 100 units and the MediaRacer® Link Manager.

Communication status

The read-only field in the lower section of the General page displays a message relating to the communications status between the two units and the computer. The above example shows the following: Tx:26 Rx:25 Qd:0. The message means that Twenty-six commands have been transmitted (Tx) from the computer to the two units. Twenty-five responses have been received by the two units and the system is working properly – with zero commands queued (Qd). This means that the units are active and working.

Reset Clicking the Reset button in the MediaRacer® Camera Section or in the MediaRacer® Monitor section of the General page will reset the appropriate MediaRacer® 100 unit.

Clicking the Reset button will cause the MediaRacer® 100 unit to reboot only if the status is shown as Alive.

Disconnect All

Disconnect all communication links between the MediaRacer® 100 units, so that there is no audio, video or RS232 data transfer.

MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF VIDEO DEVICES

Click the Video tab in the upper section of the Main Window to display the page that will enable you to connect the monitor to the camera and control the parameters of the connection specifications and the quality of picture transmission (Figure 5-4). A description of the different control and monitoring parameters appears below:

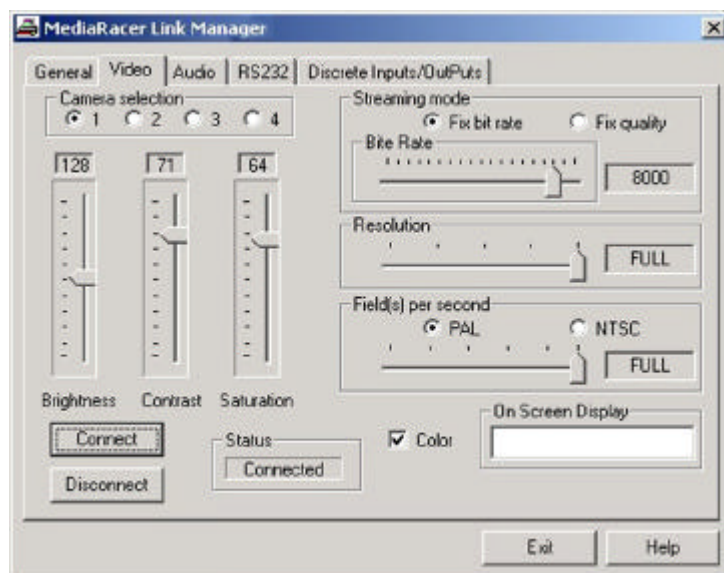


Figure 5-4: MediaRacer® Link Manager - Video Page

Camera selection	Set of four radio-buttons that enable the user to select connection to one of the cameras attached to the MediaRacer® 100 Camera Side unit.
Brightness Contrast Saturation	A set of three sliders that enable adjustment of brightness, contrast and saturation of the picture. Adjustment of the required levels is done by vertical dragging of the slider tag. The value selected as the result of the dragging of the tag is displayed in the box above the slider.
Streaming Mode	Two radio-buttons that determine the way in which video information is broadcast. The selection in one of the radio-buttons is made according to the application's requirements: Fix bit rate or Fix quality.
Fix bit rate	This sets the number of bites of compressed video pictures transmitted per second. Horizontal dragging of the slider changes the bit rate of the video transmission. The selected value is displayed in the field to the right of the slider.
Fix quality	This sets the quality of the compressed video pictures. Horizontal dragging of the slider changes the quality of the picture. The selected value is displayed in the field to the right of the slider.

Resolution

Slider that determines the resolution of the picture transmitted. The default setting is FULL. Reducing resolution is done by dragging the slider tag horizontally downwards. The selected value resulting from the dragging of the tag is displayed in the field to the right of the slider.

Possible values are as follows: FULL> SIF> QSIF> QQSIF> QQQSIF>

	NTSC	PAL
FULL	720x480	720x576
SIF	352x240	352x288
QSIF	176x120	176x144

Field(s) Per Second

The maximum value for the number of pictures transmitted per second is determined by the method of transmission used by the camera. (PAL or NTSC). According the specifications of the camera connected to the MediaRacer® 100 Camera Side unit, click on the appropriate radio-button. The Horizontal dragging of the slider changes the number of pictures (fields) per second that are transmitted by the camera. The selected value is displayed in the field to the right of the slider. Only in Full position the transmitted video picture consists of two fields per picture. A change in the value of the Fields(s) per second causes an automatic updating of Bit Rate

value (only if the Fix bit rate is selected).

PAL systems transmit a maximum of 25 pictures per second whereas NTSC systems transmit 30 pictures per second.

On Screen Display

Field that enables the editing of text that will appear in the upper left-hand corner of the picture displayed on the monitor, the next time connection is made.

Color

When this checkbox is highlighted – the video image is displayed in color. Cancel highlighting – the video image is transmitted in gray tone.

Connect/Disconnect

Two buttons that enable connection/disconnection of the video devices. Click the Connect buttons to send video stream from the camera to the monitor. Click the Disconnect buttons to disable the transfer of video stream between the MediaRacer® 100 units.

Status

This field displays the status of the MediaRacer® 100 unit's Video stream. The display options are Connect or Disconnect.

MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF AUDIO DEVICES

Click the Audio tab in the upper part of the Main Window screen to display the page that enables you to control and monitor the parameters of the attributes of the audio devices attached to the two MediaRacer® 100 units (Figure 5-5).

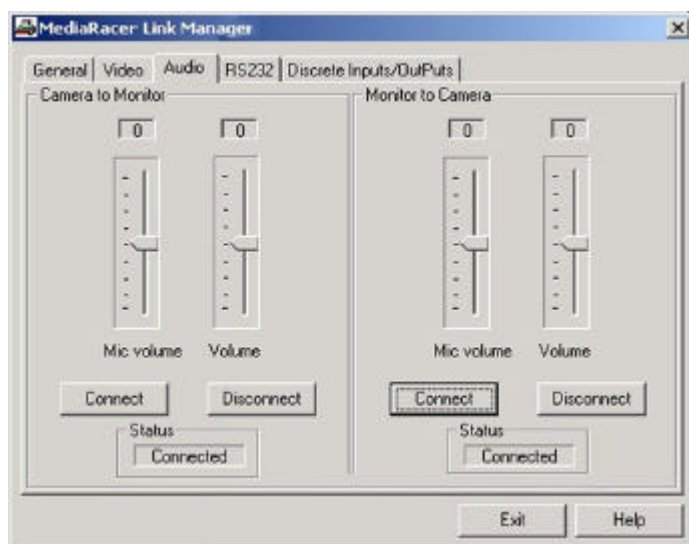


Figure 5-5: MediaRacer® Link Manager - Audio Page

A description of the different control and monitoring parameters appears below:

The page is divided into two sections. Each section controls one direction of the audio stream.

Mic Volume	Slider that enables control of the microphone gain level. Vertical dragging of the slider tag determines the required microphone gain level. The selected value resulting from the dragging of the tag is displayed in the field above the slider.
Volume	Slider that enables determination of the speaker audio volume. Vertical dragging of the slider tag determines the speaker audio volume. The selected value resulting from the dragging of the tag is displayed in the field above the slider.
Connect/Disconnect	Two buttons enable Connection/Disconnection of the microphone and speaker between the MediaRacer® 100 Camera Side unit and MediaRacer® 100 Monitor Side unit. Click the Connect button to transfer audio stream between the two MediaRacer® 100 units. Click the Disconnect button to prevent the transfer of audio stream between the two MediaRacer® 100 units.
Status	This field displays the status of the MediaRacer® 100 unit's Audio stream. The display options are Connect or Disconnect.

MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF RS232 DEVICES

Click the RS232 tab in the upper part of the Main Window screen to display the page that enables you to control and monitor the parameters of the RS232/485 (COM 2) devices connected to the various MediaRacer® 100 units and control the data flow between them (Figure 5-6). A description of the different control and monitoring parameters appears below:

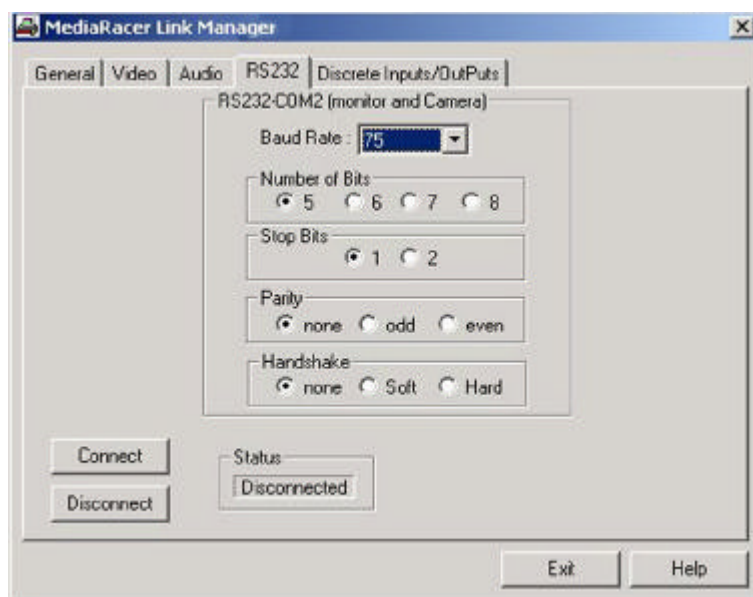


Figure 5-6: MediaRacer® Link Manager - RS232 Page

Baud Rate	Drop-down window that determines the data baud-rate. When the window is opened, select the desired value from the list of options.
Number of Bits	Selection of a radio-button in each of these four sections enables the controlling of the RS485 parameters. Determining the required value is according to the RS485 parameters of the device connected to the MediaRacer® 100 Unit.
Stop Bits	
Parity	
Handshake	
Connect/Disconnect	Two buttons enable connection/disconnection of the RS232 devices. Click the Connect button to transfer signals between the two MediaRacer® 100 units. Click the Disconnect button to prevent the transfer of signals.
Status	This field displays the status of the MediaRacer® 100 units. The display options are Connect or Disconnect

MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF DIO DEVICES

Click on the Discrete Inputs/Outputs tab in the upper part of the Main Window screen to display the page that enables you to control and monitor the parameters of the attributes of the DIO devices connected to the two MediaRacer® 100 units (Figure 5-7).

The screen that appears contains two symmetrical parts: The upper part enables control of the DIO devices connected to the MediaRacer® 100 Camera Side unit. The lower part enables control of the DIO devices connected to the MediaRacer® 100 Monitor Side unit.

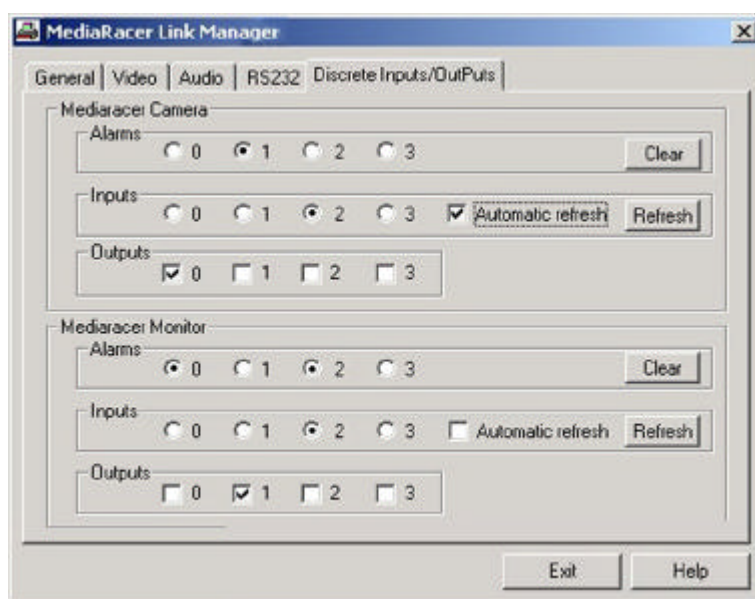


Figure 5-7: MediaRacer® Link Manager - DIO Page

A description of the different sections of this page appears below:

Outputs	Select the check box in the Outputs section to set/reset of appropriate discrete output.
Inputs	Each display field (radio-button) shows an indication on the discrete input status. The status of the entry port is only updated when the Refresh button is pressed, or on a cyclical basis when the Automatic refresh option is checked.
Alarms	Each display field (radio-button) shows an indication on the discrete input event. An event is defined as a setting on of a specific input. When there is an event, it is reported real-time by the MediaRacer® 100 unit to the MediaRacer® Link Manager and is displayed until the Clear button is pressed.

MEDIA RACER® LINK MANAGER - REMOTE

CONFIGURATION TOOL

Definition of advanced configuration settings can be carried out using the Remote Configuration Tool, which is an integral part of the MediaRacer® Link Manager Software. The Remote Configuration Tool enables loading and editing of the unit's configuration file

Click the icon in the upper left-hand corner of the MediaRacer® Link Manager Main Menu screen to open the scrolling window (Fig. 5-10).

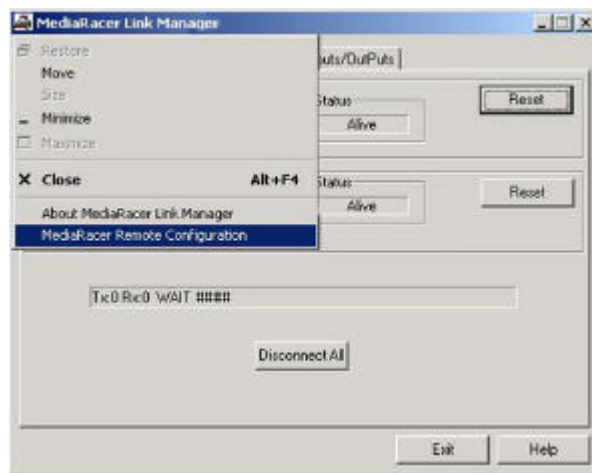


Figure 5-8: Operating the Remote Configuration Tool

Select **About MediaRacer® Link Manager** (Fig. 5-8) to display the version number of the MediaRacer® Link Manager.

Select **MediaRacer® Remote Configuration** (Fig. 5-8) to activate the Remote Configuration tool and display its main window from which the following activities can be managed:

- ? Updating of the configurations of MediaRacer® 100 units.
This activity uses the taskman.ini file.
- ? Updating of the software installed in MediaRacer® 100 units.
This activity uses the ramcmptr.bin file.
- ? Displaying information concerning the status of the MediaRacer® 100 unit.
This activity uses of the status.txt file.
- ? Resetting the MediaRacer® 100 unit, and controlling the operation mode.
This activity uses the reset.txt file.

DEFINITION OF ADVANCED CONFIGURATION SETTINGS

Updating a particular MediaRacer® 100 unit configuration is done by defining the parameters in the taskman.ini file.

Run the Remote Configuration Tool in order to load the TASKMAN.ini file from the MediaRacer® 100 unit to your PC.

When the Remote Configuration Main Window appears (Fig. 5-9), in the **Local File Name** field, enter the name of the configuration file – taskman.ini, its directory path and folder. Alternatively, click on the Browse button, located to the right of the field, to access the folder and select the file from the displayed list.

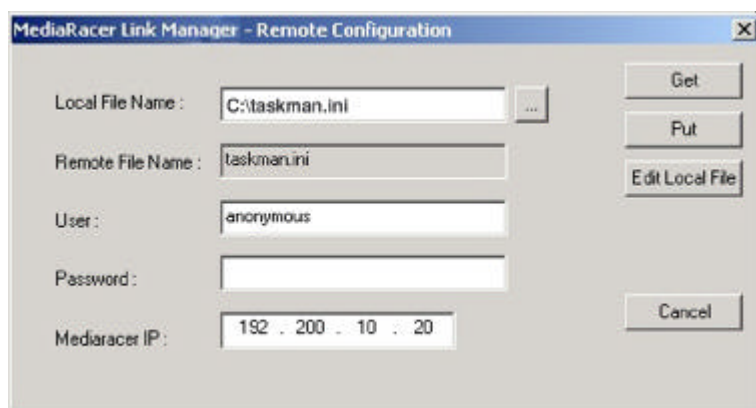


Figure 5-9: MediaRacer® Link Manager - Remote Configuration
Configuration Updating

According to the local file name, the **Remote Field Name** field displays the name of the file as it appears or as it will be recorded in the specific MediaRacer® 100 or from a specific MediaRacer® 100 Unit.

Type your username and password in the **User** and **Password** fields in the same way that they were entered during the configuration process. If there is an error in the username or password, it will not be possible to carry out the required update.

In the **MediaRacer® IP** field, enter the IP Address of the MediaRacer® 100 unit in which you want to update the configuration.

Note:

The User, Password and MediaRacer® IP fields are used to define the parameters required for establishing a connection to the unit FTP server.

When you have set the parameters, define the activity required to be performed on the file.

The available options are:

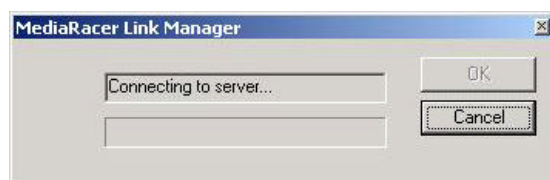
- ? **Get** – Read (load) a file from the MediaRacer® 100 unit to the computer (manager) to a location defined in the Local File Name field.
- ? **Put** – Write the file defined in the Local File Name to the MediaRacer® 1000 unit.
- ? **Edit Local File** – Using Editor, open the file defined in the Local File Name field for updating of parameters as required. The Editor is Microsoft Notepad editor, which enables the editing of text files.

Clicking the appropriate button - **Get**, **Put** or **Edit Local File** - on the right-hand side of the Remote Configuration Window, selects the required option.

Clicking **Cancel** (the fourth button in the row) closes the Remote Configuration Tool.

To update the configuration of the MediaRacer® 100 unit, after the various parameters have been set, click the **Get** button (Fig. 5-9).

A new window is opened (Fig. 5-10).



*Figure 5-10: MediaRacer® Link Manager - Remote Configuration Tool:
Status & Progress Windows*

The Progress Window displays the status of the loading activity (in the upper field) and the rate of the loading progress of the taskman.ini file from the MediaRacer® 100 unit to your PC (in the lower field). The loading process may be terminated at any time by clicking **Cancel**.

When the loading of the taskman.ini file to the PC has been completed, click **OK** to close this window and display a new window - Edit File (Fig. 5-11).

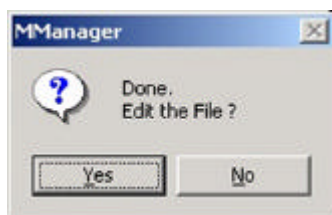


Figure 5-11: MediaRacer® Link Manager - Remote Configuration: Edit File

Click **Yes** if you want to edit the file. Otherwise, click **No**.

Use any text editor to edit the file as required. When you have finished editing the file, save the changes you have made in the file and upload it to the MediaRacer® 100 unit using the Remote Configuration Tool Main Window (click the **Put** button).

The Progress Window (Fig. 5-10) is displayed. When the file has been written to the unit, click **OK** to close this window. When the **Put** command completes, the MediaRacer® 100 unit automatically reboots.

For more detailed information about the taskman.ini file, refer to Appendix A (p. A-1)

SOFTWARE UPDATE

Set the following parameters to update the installed software in the MediaRacer® 100 unit (Fig. 5-12).

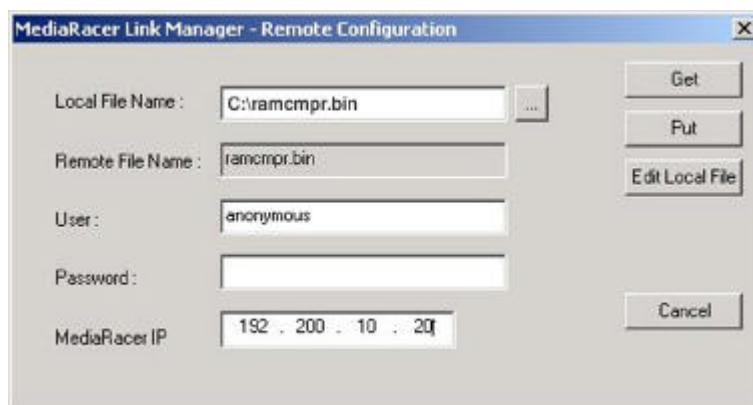


Figure 5-12: MediaRacer® Link Manager - Remote Configuration
Software Updating

In the **Local File Name** field, enter the name of the software file – ramcmpr.bin, its directory path and folder. Alternatively, click on the Browse button, located to the right of the field, to access the folder and select the file from the displayed list.

Type your username and password in the **User** and **Password** fields in the same way that they were entered during the configuration process. If there is an error in the username or password, it will not be possible to carry out the required update.

In the **MediaRacer® IP** field, enter the IP Address of the MediaRacer® 100 unit in which you want to update the software.

The only permitted function for updating the software in the MediaRacer® 100 unit is writing the ramcmpr.bin software file to the unit – click on the **Put** button.

After the various parameters have been set, clicking on the **Put** button (Fig. 5-12) will open a new window (Fig. 5-10). This window displays the status of the current activity (in the upper field) and the rate of its progress (in the bottom field).

When the writing procedure has been completed, click **OK** to close the window. The MediaRacer® 100 unit will automatically reboot.

To stop the writing of the file to the unit at any time during the writing process, click **Cancel**. When this option is selected, the user will be required to write a complete replacement software (ramcmpr.bin) file.

REMOTE CONFIGURATION STATUS

The Remote Configuration Tool displays information about the status of the MediaRacer® 100 unit. When the Remote Configuration Main Window appears (Fig. 5-13), in the Local File Name field, enter the name of the status file – status.txt, its directory path and folder. Alternatively, click on the Browse button, located to the right of the field, to access the folder and select the file from the displayed list.

Type your username and password in the User and Password fields in the same way that they were entered during the configuration process. If there is an error in the username or password, it will not be possible to carry out the required update.

In the MediaRacer® IP field, enter the IP Address of the MediaRacer® 100 unit whose status you want to update.

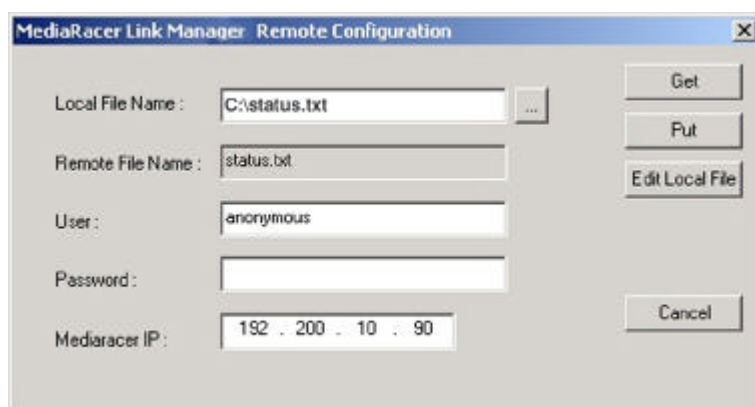


Figure 5-13: MediaRacer® Link Manager - Remote Configuration Status

The only activity permitted in this case is loading the status.txt file from the MediaRacer® 100 unit to the PC. Click the **Get** button.

The status.txt file contains data concerning the MediaRacer® 100 unit and its Built-In Tests (BIST) results. An example of this file is shown in Fig. 5-14.



Figure 5-14: Remote Configuration Status - Sample Status File

RESETTING & CONTROLLING THE OPERATION MODE

Use the Remote Configuration Tool to set the parameters for the MediaRacer® 100 unit operation mode (Application, Update Flash or Maintenance) and rebooting of the unit.

When the Remote Configuration Main Window appears (Fig. 5-15) in the **Local File Name** field, enter the name of the status file – reset.txt– its directory path and folder. Alternatively, click on the Browse button, located to the right of the field, to access the folder and select the file from the displayed list.

Type your username and password in the **User** and **Password** fields in the same way that they were entered during the configuration process. If there is an error in the username or password, it will not be possible to carry out the required update. In the **MediaRacer® IP** field, enter the IP Address of the MediaRacer® 100 unit in which you want to update the operation mode.

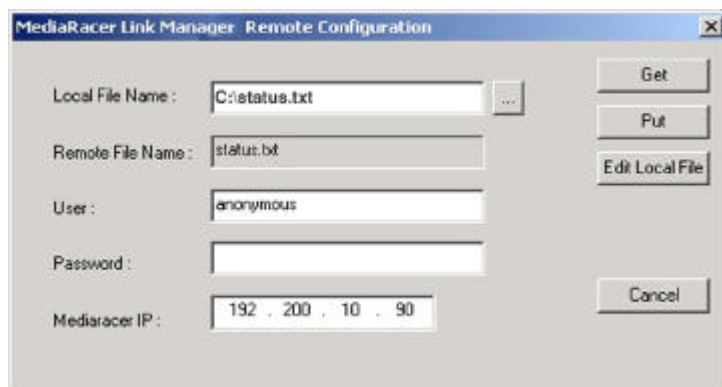


Figure 5-15: MediaRacer® Link Manager - Remote Configuration:
Definition of Operation Mode and Resetting the Unit

This screen offers the Put, Get, and Edit Local File options.

Click **Get** to load the reset.txt file from the MediaRacer® 100 to the PC. The first line of the file (Fig. 5-16) determines the Operation Mode of the MediaRacer® 100 unit.

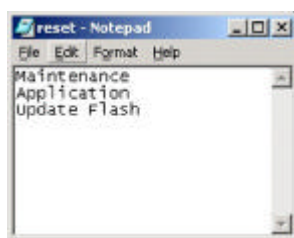


Figure 5-16: The Remote Configuration - Sample Reset File

Click **PUT** to write the reset.txt file to the MediaRacer® 100 unit. If the file is empty, writing it to the MediaRacer® 100 unit will cause the unit to be reset and will not change the operation mode.

The file may contain more than one line, but the first line is the one that determines the operation mode of the MediaRacer® 100 unit after it has been reset.

MAVIEW MANAGEMENT SOFTWARE

The MAVIEW , MAVIX state-of-the-art management package, monitors and controls surveillance applications with MediaRacer® 100 multimedia gateways. The MAVIEW Management Software is installed on a workstation in the control center, which provides the operator with a graphical user interface. The operator can view the site map and control, the station in real-time as well as the remote surveillance hardware devices located at the site.

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The main functions of the MAVIEW software are:

- ? Site mapping and visual display on the control workstation monitor.
- ? Control of remote sensors, cameras, audio and data devices
- ? Predefined events and incident alarms
- ? Information reports and activity log
- ? Video transmission control

For more detailed information about the MAVIEW software, refer to the *MAVIEW User Manual*.

THE MAVIEW API

MAVIEW API is a software package, which contains a set of functions and routines that enable the user application program to access, control and manage the MediaRacer® devices as well as receive alarms using the MAVIX solution. This software package implements all the MAVIEW functions except for the GUI (Graphic User Interface). The MAVIEW API enables the user to write any human-machine interface (HMI) on top of it, or to combine it with other software elements, in order to implement an integrated monitoring and control application for all the required surveillance functions.

The MAVIEW API uses a set of routines and macros, called by the user application to the MAVIEW API, as well as callback routines, which must have been previously defined within the user application. They are transmitted as permanent or local parameters to the API. Some of the parameters will be filled according to the status of the MediaRacer® 100 (following receipt of results/status from the MediaRacer® 100).

The main management functions of the MAVIEW are:

- ? General management: initializing API, configuring the system, terminating API.
- ? Station control and management: station and device status receipt, disconnecting station, defining the station name.
- ? Device management: connection/disconnection of devices, device control (changing video parameters and camera pan, tilt and zoom, changing audio parameters, closing/opening gate, digital input/output data management, messages display).
- ? Serial and digital port control.
- ? Scenario management: activation, stop and pause scenario, resumption scenario.
- ? Dual MAVIEW management: request control of group, unrestricted control of group, obtaining control of group.
- ? Issue of communication commands: establishment of a connection with stations, data transmission and receipt, directing to LAN or ISDN.

- ? Fault management (Ack, Nack).
- ? Alarm management.

MAVIEW PLAYER SOFTWARE

MAVIEW Player is a software package included in the MAVIEW software or MAVIEW API. MAVIEW Player enables the opening of at least one additional window in the MAVIEW for displaying video pictures originated in remote cameras. As usual, MAVIEW Player performs the functionality of a monitor side unit, based on a software-only decoding capability.

CHAPTER 6

MEDIARACER® 100: TROUBLESHOOTING

NETWORK TROUBLESHOOTING

Fault description:

The management software does not recognize the MediaRacer® 100 unit

1. Run the following hardware tests:
 1. Verify that the network equipment – cables, switch, HUB etc. are operating correctly.
 2. Verify that the ON LED – (green) located on the front panel is lit constantly.
 3. Verify that the communications cable is connected to the MediaRacer® 100 unit at the other end of the network.
Verify that the green LNK LED, located on the front panel is lit constantly.
2. Verify the system configuration:
 1. Verify the IP Addresses of each of the MediaRacer® 100 units are the same as the addresses that have been defined in the network settings.
 2. Verify that network subnet mask definition matches the local network requirements.
 3. Verify that Gateway IP node address is defined:
 - ? If there is a gateway, set the address accordingly.

? If there is no gateway, set the address to the same network environment.

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? Verify that the PC address is defined in the same network environment.

? Verify that the gateway is properly set.

3. Run a PING test from the PC where the management software of the MediaRacer® 100 units is installed.
4. Run a PING test from the PC to the gateway (if one is configured).

RS232/485 TROUBLESHOOTING

Fault description:

Difficulty in Controlling of RS232/RS485 Devices.

1. Verify that the RS cable is correctly inserted according to the pinout in the RJ-45 RS232/RS485 Connector table.
2. Verify that the number of bits, stop bit, handshake parity and baud rate are set correctly for the equipment connected.
3. RS485
 1. Open the cover of the MediaRacer® 100 unit and verify that the settings are correct.
 2. Verify that the equipment is connected to COM2.
4. Transparent RS: There is no data transfer between devices connected to various MediaRacer® 100 units in RS Transparent Mode
 1. Verify that in the MediaRacer® Link Manager Application in the RS232 page, the status field displays “Connected”.
 2. Verify that the RS232 device cable is connected to COM2.
5. There is no display of MediaRacer® Service Software Main Menu using HyperTerminal.
 1. Verify that the setting of the HyperTerminal application COM port setting values match the Console Setting.

- ? Keep the spacebar depressed while the system is booting. This causes the MediaRacer® Service Software main menu to be displayed.
- ? Select option 1 from the main menu to display the system settings menu. Verify that the Console I/O value is defined as Enable. Enable value means that access to all MediaRacer® Service software options and the Application Log Screen are enabled and visible.

THE RED LED IS CONSTANTLY LIT

Fault description:

After the MediaRacer® 100 unit has been connected to the power source, the red FLT LED stays lit.

1. Connect a computer with a built-in HyperTerminal application to the MediaRacer® 100 unit. Activate the MediaRacer® Service Software main menu and verify that:
 - ? Operation mode is set to Application.
 - ? The BIST value is set to Disable.
2. Reboot the MediaRacer® 100 unit.
3. After rebooting the unit, verify that initialization messages are displayed on screen and that the “Station” prompt is displayed upon completion of the initialization process.

VIDEO TROUBLESHOOTING

Fault description:

The monitor does not display video picture (while camera is transmitting).

1. Verify that in the MediaRacer® Link Manager Application in the Video page, the status field displays “Connected”.
2. Verify that the cables of the equipment (camera and monitor) that are connected to the MediaRacer® 100 Camera Side unit and the MediaRacer® 100 Monitor Side unit, are firmly in place.
3. Verify that the camera is working properly by connecting it directly to the monitor.
4. Verify that the input to which the camera is connected is the one where the green LED is lit.
5. The video is not displayed continuously - Disconnecting image problem
 1. Verify that the bit-rate is appropriate to the bandwidth allocated by the network. If the bit-rate is too high, reduce its value so that it matches the broadband.

AUDIO TROUBLESHOOTING

Fault description:

No transfer of audio signal between the MediaRacer® 100 Units.

1. Verify that in the MediaRacer® Link Manager Application in the Audio page, the status field displays “Connected”.
2. Verify that the audio equipment cables are properly connected to the MediaRacer® 100 units, and in accordance with the specifications.
3. Verify that the speakers are connected and the volume not set to OFF.
4. Verify that the microphone manufacturer is Dynamic.